

Fighting a Railroad

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When the surveyors for the B. and B. railroad reached within a mile of the town of Scoville they were stopped by the owner of a farm, who threatened them with an action for trespass if they set foot on his land.

It was old Ransome who had lived on that farm since he was born and was now over sixty years old. Boy and man, he had been known as stingy and mean, and no one had ever dealt with him a second time. His wife was about like him in her disagreeable way. The two seldom or never disagreed with each other, but they disagreed with everybody else.

The town of Scoville wanted that railroad and wanted it built at once, but there was old John blocking the way and his old wife backing him up. It must cross his eighty acre farm to reach the town. The surveyors argued and coaxed, but it was of no use.

The railroad finally gained its surveyors and the line was run, but that was only the beginning of the fight. It collected its forces and began the grading. Old John was out there with his gun and his wife was there with a club, but the lusty men laughed at them and carried them off the scene, and in a few weeks there was the hoisting and touting that the old couple dreaded to hear. They would not sell, and the railroad waited for them to propose some sort of settlement.

There was a highway about a quarter of a mile to the south of the Ransome farm, and the new railroad crossed it at a level. The soft earth was soon gullied out by the wheels of the wagons, and this left the tracks three or four inches above the surface. When old John observed this he joked up his oxen and hitched them to his wagon and went after a load of wood. When he returned with it to the crossing he stuck there. The oxen could not pull the wagon across the rails. The old man sat down to patiently wait for a train to come along. One appeared in sight in about an hour and found its progress blocked. It took all the train hands and some of the passengers to boot to get that wagon across the track. There was fuming and threatening, but old John was very quiet and calm. He repeated this performance once a day for a week. Then the railroad put down planks and the scheme was defeated.

"Well, we'll have to try some other trick," said the old folks to each other. And as a result of their planning they went out at night with a big pile of soft soap and smeared the rails for a distance of thirty rods. The next train that came that way did not whizz past; it stood still and whizzed, and it took the best part of an hour and a barrel of sand to make the wheels go round again and have a grip on the rails.

Old John was arrested for this soapy trick, but they could prove nothing against him, and he was discharged from custody. After this a new attempt was made to bring about a settlement, but it was doomed to failure from the start. Then came another adventure. Old John cut the grass in his meadow, and while drawing it to the barn to store away he drove across the track at a point on his own farm and a wheel somehow came off the wagon and dumped hay and vehicle in a grand heap. There was just time to get the oxen out of the way when a locomotive of a freight train plunged into the mess. Hay and splinters flew over half the county, and the whole train was derailed at a cost of many thousands of dollars to the company.

There were two lawsuits begun immediately, one by the company to make the old man pay damages and one by Old John to collect the worth of a wagon and a ton of hay. The railroad folks could not show any scheme on his part and was the loser in its suit. A jury also held that an engineer who would slam bang into a load of hay in broad daylight should be held responsible, and Old John got about three times the value of the property destroyed.

By and by when the pumpkin season had come old Mr. Ransome kindly permitted a passenger train to run into a wagonload of them—that is, his oxen stopped to rest when the wagon was halfway over the track. He was heard shouting at them at the top of his voice and seen to flourish his gad in an excited manner, but he was forced to escape to save his own life. Pieces of those pumpkins were picked up miles away, and a week after the wagon was wrecked again, and one of the oxen was converted into fresh beef. Here was groundwork for another lawsuit, and the jury decided that any railroad that would strive to lessen the pumpkin crop ought to pay for it right smartly.

It is very probable that the old couple might have returned to the soft soap trick if they had been given more time, but fate willed it otherwise. They were coming home from a call on a neighboring farm, and it was a gusty, rainy night. As they approached the crossing they saw the light of a locomotive approaching, but defiantly kept on their way and were struck and hurled into a field and both instantly killed. No one in Scoville was mean enough to say they were glad of it, but the B. and B. railroad saw its chance and moved quickly. Before it could be sued by the heirs it went into court against itself and was legally permitted to settle the claim for \$5,000.

They say that the ghosts of old Ransome and his wife haunt the farm.

EAST BARRE.

M. J. Whitcomb has shipped another lot of maple sugar, weighing 950 pounds.

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HUGHES ON WAY EAST

The Republican Nominee Has Some New Ammunition

FAIRBANKS HEARS HE IS NOMINATED

Thirty Thousand Expected to Hear Pres. Wilson's Speech To-morrow

Estes Park, Col., Sept. 1.—Refreshed by his holiday at Estes Park, Charles Evans Hughes resumed his campaign trip yesterday. He is reported to have incorporated some new ammunition in speeches prepared for use against the Democratic administration. The present swing eastward will be made by way of Kansas City, St. Louis and it includes a dip into Kentucky and Tennessee. While Mr. Hughes is getting under way again Theodore Roosevelt addressed an audience in Lewiston, Me., last night, and it is predicted that this speech will put what is known as "punch" into the campaign in the East. The Democrats continue their peripatetic and speech-making in Maine. Senator Hollis of New Hampshire Wednesday night attacked Mr. Hughes for his criticism of the Wilson policies and declared that when summed up they were always calls for words when deeds had been used and for deeds when Wilson had used words.

FAIRBANKS IS HOPEFUL.

He Foresees a Better Day and Accepts Nomination.

Indianapolis, Sept. 1.—Charles Warren Fairbanks was notified formally yesterday afternoon that he had been nominated for the vice presidency by the Republicans. Senator Sherman of Illinois delivered the address, and Mr. Fairbanks, in accepting the nomination, discussed the issues of the campaign. The ceremonies were held on Mr. Fairbanks' lawn.

Proceeding the ceremonies William R. Wilcox, national chairman; A. T. Hert, manager of western headquarters, and other national leaders held a conference at Republican state headquarters. Senator Sherman and Chairman Wilcox were met at the railway station by an escort of Indiana Republicans, headed by a brass band.

30,000 TO HEAR WILSON.

Arrangements Made to Receive That Number at Shadow Lawn.

New York, Sept. 1.—The Democratic national committee has completed arrangements for handling approximately 30,000 persons at President Wilson's formal notification of his nomination at the president's summer home, Shadow Lawn, Long Branch, N. J., to-morrow. The president will leave Washington for Shadow Lawn this afternoon, the national committee announced.

JOHNSON'S VICTORY WINS STATE CONTROL

California Governor Named for Senate By Twenty Thousand.

San Francisco, Sept. 1.—Gov. Hiram W. Johnson's majority over William Booth for the Republican nomination for United States senator will be very close to 20,000, according to almost complete returns from all sections of the state available yesterday. These covered 91 per cent of all the 5,443 precincts in the state.

With only 478 precincts missing, Gov. Johnson's total vote was 151,392, against 133,252 for Booth, a plurality for Johnson of 18,040. The unreported precincts are scattering, and the Johnson advocates are confident.

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states declare that they merely will increase the governor's majority.

The Republican "Old Guard" leaders conceding the victory of Gov. Johnson, speculation centered on the probable effect of the primaries on the Republican and Progressive party conventions to be held in Sacramento, Sept. 19. On that date the present Republican state central committee, which frankly opposed Gov. Johnson's candidacy, will go out of power.

Backers of Gov. Johnson declare he will be able to dominate wholly the coming Republican convention, dictate the platform of principles to be adopted and name almost entirely the personnel of the new Republican state committee "Old Guard" leaders do not believe the "stand patters" will be re-elected on it.

Gov. Johnson was overwhelmed with congratulatory telegrams yesterday. These included a hearty one from Theodore Roosevelt.

JAPANESE FIRED FIRST IN CLASH WITH CHINESE

Premier Tuan Chi-Jui Doing His Best to Settle the Difficulty, He Tells Parliament.

Peking, China, Sept. 1.—At a secret session of Parliament yesterday Premier Tuan Chi-Jui, replying to inquiries about the recent clash between Chinese and Japanese troops at Cheng-Chiatum, in eastern Mongolia, said the Japanese were the aggressors and fired the first shots. The premier added he was doing his best to maintain the dignity of China in settling the difficulty.

SHERIFF HARSHLY TREATED.

By Mob Which Was Enraged at Escape of Negro.

Lima, O., Aug. 31.—Enraged at the success of Sheriff Sherman Eley, in spiriting Charles Daniels, a negro accused of assaulting Mrs. John Barber, young wife of a prominent farmer, out of their reach early last evening, a mob captured the sheriff, seriously wounded him, placed a noose around his neck and forced him to direct a cortege of 100 automobiles into the rough country north of this city, where it is supposed the negro prisoner had been hidden. The motor mob with Sheriff Eley was not loosed at a late hour after deserting the scene, where they had overpowered the Lima police and fire departments, broken into the jail, the courthouse and the residence of the sheriff and forced the sheriff's wife and other women to flee from their anger with a small baby in arms.

The mob formed around the Lima jail before dusk and leaders demanded admittance. Chief of Police Kinney called out his entire force, but the officers were overpowered. It was announced that the negro had been taken by Sheriff Eley to the Ohio state hospital for the criminal insane and that the jail was guarded by one deputy and the sheriff's wife. Refusing to accept the announcement the mob forced Mrs. Eley to open the cells. When Sheriff Eley returned he was met by the mob at the city limits.

When Sheriff Eley returned to Lima he was met by the mob who demanded the negro. Eley retreated into the house. The mob broke down the door, seeking Eley, who escaped through the rear door and sought refuge in the Elks home. The mob found him, however, and dragged him to the principal street corner, where a rope was placed around his neck and thrown over a street railway pole. The crowd threatened to hang him unless he told where the negro was hidden.

When he persisted in refusing, he was knocked down and beaten until several ribs were broken and he was bleeding from a dozen cuts. Finally, he yielded and left town, presumably to lead the mob to the negro's hiding place. The mob left town in more than 100 automobiles. Eley was placed in the leading machine.

The entire motor fire department was called, but arrived too late to save Eley from the mob. Driving three abreast and with chemical tanks open throwing liquid into the crowd, the fire engines charged down the street at 20 miles an hour, just in time to see a motor truck, with Eley aboard disappear northward.

'TWERE EVER THUS

The man that makes a character makes tons.

—Young.

Your Pantry.

To the homemaker the question of the pantry is almost as important as is that of the kitchen itself. In the case of the butler or serving pantry, the size and arrangement will be largely governed by the number of servants to be employed in the household. Where two or more servants are employed, one of them naturally would work almost exclusively in this pantry, washing glass, silver and the more delicate china; therefore, a sink for this work will be required.

Also since it is coming to be felt that a large display of silver and china in the dining room is not good taste, provision for the storage of this must be made in the pantry. Drawers with partitioned compartments, lined with felt, will take care of the flat silver, while the proper care of linen will necessitate a number of drawers especially designed for the purpose.

To place the refrigerator in the pantry is also a logical and labor-saving arrangement.

Fried Potato Balls.

Add two cupfuls of hot rice potatoes to one tablespoonful of milk, one-half teaspoonful of salt, a few grains of cayenne and the yolk of one egg, slightly beaten. Shape in small nests, fill cavity with a cube of pimento cheese, cover with potato mixture and roll until round. Roll in flour, then in white of egg, slightly beaten and diluted with two tablespoonfuls of cold water, and then in fine bread crumbs. Fry in deep fat; drain on brown paper.

Creamed Salt Mackerel.

This is most acceptable on a hot morning. Soak the fish over night, flesh side downward. Rinse well in the morning, boil up once in fresh cold water, drain and put on hot platter. Blend a tablespoon of butter with one of flour and add milk sufficient to make a thick cream. Turn this over the fish, then set it in the broiler until browned on top. Garnish with parsley.

Spiced Salmon.

Turn the contents of a large can of salmon into an earthenware bowl. Heat to the boiling point vinegar sufficient to cover the fish, with a few whole cloves, pepper corns and a blade of mace. Add a little salt, turn over the fish and cover closely for several hours. When ready to serve have very cold and after draining off the superfluous vinegar lay on lettuce leaves and garnish with slices of lemon.

Stuffed Tomatoes.

These are a form of salad. Select firm tomatoes of uniform size. Cut off the tops, scoop out the pulp and chop it with a little onion, celery and hard-boiled egg. Moisten with mayonnaise and refill the skins. Turn over more of the mayonnaise.

Cabbage Worms.

It is not advisable to use arsenate of lead on well grown cabbages in the home garden. Heliothrips, if fresh, is just as fatal to the cabbage worm and is safer to use because it soon loses its poisonous properties. Tobacco dust or soap suds may be used in emergencies, and hot water at a temperature of 130 sprayed into the heads will kill the worms without hurting the cabbages. The common white butterflies seen flying about the garden all summer are responsible for the cabbage worm.

Grape Frappe.

Put two cupfuls of sugar and four cupfuls of water in saucepan, bring to the boiling point and let boil 15 minutes. Remove from range and add two cupfuls of grape juice, two-thirds cupful of orange juice and one-fourth cupful of lemon juice. Cool, strain and freeze to a mush, using equal parts of rock salt.

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—Adv.

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Free from Tallowy Taste.

Mince pies made from mince meat in which boiled tongue is used and no suet is included will be found to be entirely free from any tallowy taste when served cold.

Chop Suey.

Cut one pound of pork shoulder into small pieces; do the same with two pounds of beef shoulder. Stew both in a very little water until they are tender. Add to them one quart of onions fried to a brown, 12 stalks of celery cut fine, one or two cans of mushrooms. Thicken this mixture with a small package of vermicelli. This is to be served with rice, cooked separately.

When Vegetables Burn.

If a pot of vegetables dries out and is found to be burned on the bottom, lift it off the fire at once and set in a large pan of cold water, leaving about six minutes. Then turn the vegetables out into a clean pot. You will not detect the burned taste.

Chocolate Paste in Reserve.

In order to make hot chocolate, feed chocolate, or cocoa on very short notice, prepare a chocolate paste by cooking together one cup of chocolate (or cocoa), one cup of sugar, one-half cup of cornstarch, one teaspoon of salt and two cups of water, until smooth and glossy. Put into glass jars and when desired for use take out the quantity necessary, two teaspoons to a cup, add the milk, heat, flavor, beat well and serve.

Crystallized Daisies.

The newest thing in bonbons is the crystallized daisy. The petals are dipped in white sugar and prepared as rose petals are. With the daisies the stem and leaves are not used; in serving, the needed greenness is supplied by using crystallized mint leaves with the daisies. For the dinner or luncheon table, place these flowers on a small plate or bonbon dish and arrange them flat, with a background of the mint leaves.

Raspberry Sherbet.

Make a syrup of one cup of sugar and two cups of water, boiling it 10 minutes. Crush together two cups of raspberries and a half cup of currants. Soak one teaspoon of granulated gelatin in two tablespoonfuls of cold water 10 minutes, then dissolve over hot water. Add the fruit and dissolved gelatin to the syrup, a quarter of a cup of which has been reserved. Mix all well together and freeze, using equal portions of ice and salt. When half frozen, open the can, taking care that no salt gets into the sherbet and add a meringue made by beating the white of one egg until light and then adding a quarter of a cup of syrup to it. This meringue seems to make the grain of the sherbet finer and the gelatin prevents its ready dissolution. Finish freezing, pack in salt and ice and let stand several hours.

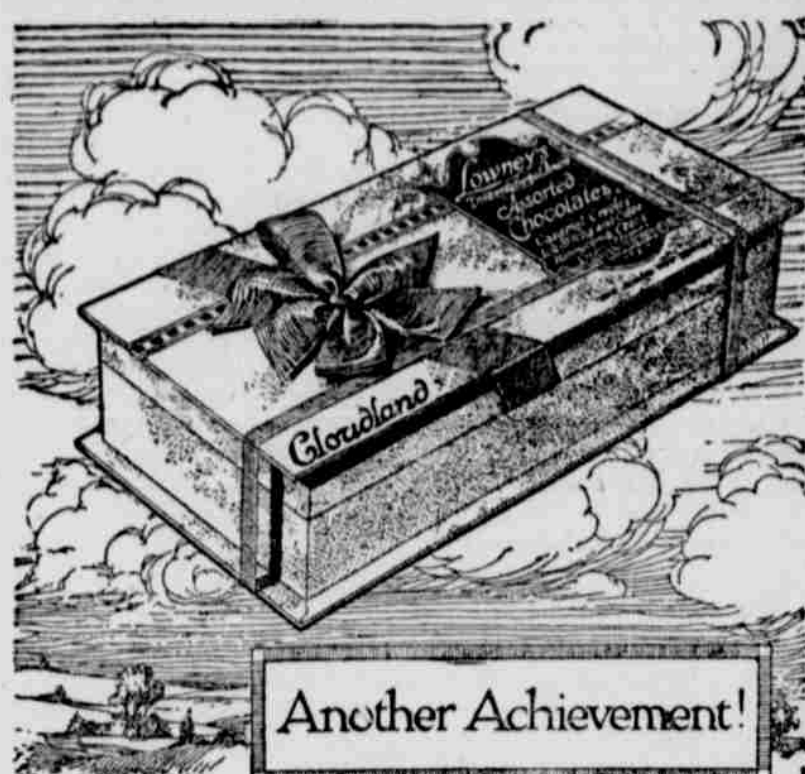
EXPECT MACMILLAN SHORTLY.

Arctic Explorer Due to Arrive at St. Johns or Sydney Between Sept. 20 and Oct. 1.

New York, Sept. 1.—Officers of the American Museum of Natural History have been advised that Donald B. MacMillan, the Arctic explorer, who left here in 1913 in search of "Crocker land" is expected to arrive with the remaining members of his party at St. Johns, N. F., or Sydney, N. S., between Sept. 20 and Oct. 1. MacMillan will be accompanied by Dr. E. O. Hovey, who was in charge of the relief expedition sent to MacMillan on board the power schooner George B. Cluett, in 1915.

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ure around the edge of the mold. Gather one long edge tightly together, slip in the mold and gather the other edge. Make the bunches of gathers come at the middle of the mold—Woman's World for September.

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